



Fact Sheet: H.R. 5326 – Maritime Technical Corrections Act of 2018

Summary

- H.R. 5326 makes minor technical corrections to Title 14 and Title 46 of the United States Code. Title 14 pertains to the U.S. Coast Guard and was codified in 1949. Title 46 pertains to shipping in the U.S. and was codified in 1983.
- The changes make it easier for the public and the Congress to read the titles.
- Title I of the bill makes technical changes to Title 14, Coast Guard, United State Code, by creating a definition for “Commandant of the Coast Guard” and making conforming changes throughout the title.
- It also modernizes existing text such as changing “enlisted men” to refer to “enlisted members”, among other similar technical changes. The title makes no substantive change to law.
- Title II of the bill makes technical changes to Title 46, Shipping, United State Code. The numbering of the definition section is updated and conforming amendments made where those definitions are cited and expired language is removed from the title, as well as other similar changes to the text. The title makes no substantive change to law.
- H.R. 5326 was introduced on March 19, 2018, by Congressman Garamendi (D-CA).

Amendments

A technical amendment fixing a reference to a repealed section is expected.

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